



DATE: June 1, 2018  
FROM: Division of Emergency Medical Systems  
TO: Funding Area #1  
RE: North Dakota Rural EMS Assistance (REMSA) Fund

On June 30, 2012, North Dakota Century Code 23-46 charged the North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH), with recommendations from the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (EMSAC), to administer the *North Dakota Rural EMS Assistance Fund*. The fund is currently in its seventh year of providing grants to rural EMS agencies. A copy of N.D.C.C. 23-46 is located at <http://www.legis.nd.gov/cencode/t23c46.pdf?20130509144154>.

Part III funding will be based on run volume categories utilizing a funding formula taking into consideration population, a model budget and estimated revenues of services within run volume categories. Run volume is defined as the average volume reported to the Department for years 2015 – 2016 not including those with a complaint of standby or a null value. No more than two services were funded under one model budget, therefore, any funding area with three or more services was categorized under two or more model budgets with one total maximum eligible funding amount still being calculated per funding area. The basis for Part III funding and the funding formula used was developed by the REMSA subcommittee and approved by the EMS Advisory Council as well as the North Dakota Department of Health.

While the call volume of ambulance services having over 700 runs per year will not be used in the calculation of the maximum eligible grant award, the funding area may include that ambulance service in their funding area disbursement agreement.

Part III maximum eligible funding information for your funding area is as follows:

Funding Area #	2018 Maximum Eligible Funding

Ambulance service/funding areas are expected to apply for the amount of funding needed to meet the intent of the funding source as listed in the grant guidance. If the needed/requested amount is less than the maximum eligible grant award, the remaining funds will be reallocated according to Department discretion. Awards will not be granted in amounts larger than the maximum eligible grant award per funding area.

**2018 Rural EMS Assistance Fund Grant Time-Line – Part III (\$3,266,660.00 )**

- **Application deadline: Submitted to DEMS by 5 p.m. on June 12, 2018**
- **Signed Notice of Grant Award must be submitted to DEMS by 5 p.m. on June 26, 2018**
- **Grant period: July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019**

As always, DEMS is available for assistance with the grant process. Please read through the application and guidance thoroughly and contact the DEMS Grants Coordinator, Debra Dutchuk at [debtdutchuk@nd.gov](mailto:debtdutchuk@nd.gov) or 701.328.3215 with any questions.

Thank you for your hard work and dedication to EMS in North Dakota.